

## The Three Little Pigs

A mother pig and three little pigs

She sends them out to build their own houses: but mind the wolf!

First pig begs straw off a farmer - builds house of straw

Second pig ... sticks from woodman

Third pig ... bricks from builder

Wolf comes to first pig's house

"Little pig, little pig, let me in"

"Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin"

"Then I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow the house in"

And he does and he eats the first little pig

Second pig - same

Third pig - same, but wolf cannot

He gets angry, tries to come down chimney

Third pig is waiting with pot of boiling water

End of wolf

## Jack and the Beanstalk

Jack lived with mother in cottage, very poor  
She sent him to sell cow  
He met butcher - sold cow for beans  
Mother angry - threw beans out of window

Next morning Jack's room dark. Beanstalk rising to sky  
He climbed to top - strange land  
Met woman - she said land belonged to giant. Giant had killed his father and stolen his money  
Jack walked, night fell, came to castle  
Giant's wife unwillingly took him in, fed him, hid him in oven  
Giant returned, sniffed round kitchen

"Fee, fi, fo, fum  
I smell the blood of an Englishman  
Be he alive or be he dead  
I'll grind his bones to make my bread"

Giant ate huge supper, called for his hen, roared, "Lay!"  
She laid 12 eggs. Giant went to sleep, snores shook castle  
Jack stole hen, ran to beanstalk, back home  
He and mother rich

Jack back up beanstalk - disguised  
Taken in again by giant's wife - hidden in cupboard  
Giant returned - "Fee, fi..." Huge supper, counts money, snores  
Jack steals money, back down beanstalk  
Builds mother new house  
New disguise - back up beanstalk  
Taken in by wife, hidden in wash-tub  
"Fee, fi..." Huge supper, giant calls for harp, "Play!"  
Jack grabs harp, harp crises, "Master, Master!"  
Giant wakes - chases Jack  
Jack fast down beanstalk, giant close behind  
Calls, "Mother, Mother, the axe!"  
Chops down the beanstalk - kills giant

## Rumpelstiltskin

Poor miller. Beautiful daughter  
He told kind "She can spin straw into gold"

King locked her up with spindle and straw  
If no gold by morning: death  
She wept  
Door opened: Funny little man said  
"What will you give me if I spin the straw into gold?"  
"My necklace"  
Whirr, whirr - gold

Next night king locked her in larger room - more straw  
(same sequence as above with *ring* instead of necklace)

THird night king promised her marriage if she'd spin the straw to gold  
(same sequence as above with *first-born child* instead of ring)

### Wedding

One year later - child - She had forgotten little man  
He appeared "Give me your child"  
She offered riches, he refused - gave her three days to find his name  
She sent our messengers to find names  
She listed them to him: none right  
Did same on second day: none right

Third day messenger reported little man in wood singing:  
"This guessing game she'll never win, Rumpelstiltskin is my name"  
She told the little man his name

Rage - "A witch has told you, a witch has told you!"

He vanishes

## The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Three goats in mountain valley  
Bridge over river - under bridge troll - ate people  
Goats wanted to eat grass other side - greener and sweeter

One day smallest goat onto bridge, trip-trap, trip-trap  
Troll's ugly head appeared  
"Who's that trip-trapping over *my* bridge?"  
"Only me, the littlest Billy Goat Gruff."  
"Then I'm going to eat you up"  
"No, don't eat me, eat my brother - he's bigger and fatter than me"  
"Mmmm, OK, off you go"  
Littlest goat crossed bridge, began to eat grass

Next day middle-sized goat trip-trapped onto bridge  
(same sequence as above, substituting "middle-sized")

Biggest goat - long beard, sharp horns  
TRAP TRAP TRAP onto bridge  
"Who's that trap-trapping over *my* bridge?"  
"It's me, the biggest Billy Goat Gruff"  
"Then I'm going to eat you up"  
"Oh no you're not"  
Big goat lowered horns - ran at troll - tossed him into river

Since then bridge is safe to cross

## Goldilocks

Little girl goes for walk in woods - mother warns her not to  
Comes to house in clearing, knocks - no answer - goes in

Tries three chairs  
Big one too hard, middle one rather hard, little one just right  
Breaks leg of little chair

Tries three bowls of porridge  
Big one too hot, middle one rather hot, little one just right  
Eats porridge all up

Tired - goes upstairs - tries three beds  
First one too big, middle one rather big, little one just right  
Goes to sleep

House belongs to three bears - they tramp back through forest  
In turn, Father, Mother, and Baby Bear look at their chairs  
"*Who's* been sitting on *my* chair?  
Baby Bear adds: "... and who's broken it all to pieces?"  
They look at bowls and say, in turn  
"*Who's* been eating *my* porridge?  
Baby Bear adds: "and who's eaten it all up?"

They go upstairs and look at beds  
"*Who's* been sleeping in *my* bed?"  
Baby Bear adds: "... and who's still sleeping there now?"

Goldilocks wakes, jumps out of window and home

## The Princess and the Pea

Once a prince  
Wanted to marry a princess  
But a *real* princess  
How to find?

One dark night  
Storm rain lightning thunder  
Knock on door  
King went downstairs, opened up  
Outside a princess  
Dripping wet  
King has idea

Invited her in - food clean clothes  
Bed for night - special bed!  
20 mattresses; 20 featherbeds  
And under all: one pea

Princess to bed  
Not a wink of sleep  
Bed too lumpy

Aha! a real princess  
Prince fell in love  
Married  
Happy ever after  
And the pea is in the palace still, unless someone has walked off with it

So it was a true story